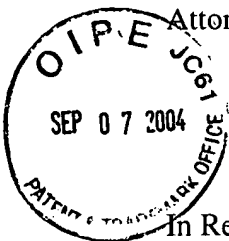


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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 2, 2004**

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DEAR SIR:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2004. A shortened statutory period of three months has been set for response, making this Response due on October 2, 2004. Therefore, this Response is considered timely. Reconsideration of the referenced application, including all pending claims, is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and the remarks set forth below.

This Response is being submitted in a form which complies with revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Accordingly, all pending claims are identified by number and appropriate status identifier.

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